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Sir:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 254 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.322, this is a request for the issuance of a Certificate of Correction in the above-identified patent to correct mistakes made by the PTO. Two (2) copies of the PTO Form 1050 are provided herewith. The complete Certificate of Correction involves one (1) page.

The mistakes identified in the appended form are of a clerical or typographical nature, or of minor character and resulted from mistakes on the part of the PTO. Specifically, issued claim 1, should refer to --first and second conductive members-- rather than "a first conductive member". See Applicants' After Final Amendment filed August 2, 2005 for the correct final version of the claim 1 as allowed.

As the noted errors arose from mistakes on the part of the PTO or its contractor, no fee is required. However, if any additional fees are needed in connection with the filing of

this request, authorization is hereby given to charge such fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-2101.

Issuance of the Certificate of Correction containing the noted corrections is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the specification, column 6, line 23 (claim 1, line 4), please change "a first conductive member" to -- first and second conductive members --.

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